## Abstract

This invention describes novel pyrazole compounds of formula II:

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
R^2 & R^2 \\
HN & NH \\
N & N \\
R^7 & Z^1 & Q-R^1
\end{array}$$
II

wherein  $Z^1$  is nitrogen or  $CR^8$ ; Q is -S-, -O-, -N( $R^4$ )-, or -CH( $R^6$ )-;  $R^1$  is T-Ring D, wherein Ring D is a 5-7 membered monocyclic ring or 8-10 membered bicyclic ring selected from aryl, heteroaryl, heterocyclyl or carbocyclyl; and  $R^9$ ,  $R^2$ , and  $R^2$  are as described in the specification. The compounds are useful as protein kinase inhibitors, especially as inhibitors of Aurora-2 and GSK-3, for treating diseases such as cancer, diabetes and Alzheimer's disease.

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